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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Dear Sir:

This amendment and remarks accompany the filing of an RCE under 37 CFR 1.114. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a). With the granting of said extension, it is believed that this response is timely filed. It is our understanding that the fee required for the Petition for Extension of Time is \$110. In addition, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees associated with this filing, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 50-2613. The amendment and remarks address the issues raised by the Examiner in an Advisory Action, dated February 21, 2003 and an Interview, dated November 20, 2002.

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